STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES

In re: Homeguard Environmental, Inc.

Petition No. 20000406-053-015

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Homeguard Environmental, Inc. of Stamford, CT (hereinafter "respondent") has

been issued license number 000022 to practice as an asbestos contractor by the Department of

Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 400a of the General Statutes of

Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

1. In or about October 1999, respondent was the licensed asbestos contractor for an asbestos

abatement project at 90 Lambert Road, New Canaan, CT (hereinafter "the property").

Said project involved the removal of asbestos containing boiler and pipe insulation in

connection with the replacement of the heating system in the residence on the property.

2. On or about October 13, 1999, during a Department inspection of the asbestos abatement

project at the property, respondent:

a. failed to properly construct and maintain a worker decontamination system in that

the system did not contain a working supply of warm water for the shower; and

b. applied encapsulant to surfaces that had been stripped of asbestos containing

material before the surfaces were visually inspected by a licensed asbestos

consultant and found to be free of all visible residue.

3. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Chapter 400a and §19a-332a(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, taken in conjunction with §§19a-332a-1, 19a-332a-2, 19a-332a-6, 19a-332a-7(c) and 20-440-6(b) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations of wrongdoing but, while admitting no guilt or wrongdoing, agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before the Department, this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if proven and ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to §§19a-10, 19a-14 and Chapter 400a of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-14, 19a-17 and Chapter 400a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

- 1. Respondent waives its right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
- 2. Respondent's license number 000022 to practice as an asbestos contractor in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
- 3. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of one-thousand nine-hundred dollars (\$1,900.00) by certified or cashier's check payable to "Treasurer, State of Connecticut." The check shall reference the Petition Number on the face of the check, and shall be payable at the time respondent submits the executed Consent Order to the Department.
- 4. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to its licensure.
- 5. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
- 6. This Consent Order is effective on the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Department.

- 7. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document, and the Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Department in which its compliance with this Consent Order or with Chapters 400a or 368l of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
- 8. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that it may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
- 9. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.
- 10. Respondent permits a representative of the Legal Office of the Bureau of Regulatory

 Services to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the

 Department. Respondent understands that the Department has complete and final

 discretion as to whether this executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
- 11. Respondent has the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.

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I, Gary H. Stone, President of Homeguard Environmental, Inc., have read the above Consent Order, and I affirm that I am fully authorized and empowered to bind said corporation. I hereby stipulate and agree to bind Homeguard Environmental, Inc. to the terms as set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

	Gary H. Stone, President
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	$\frac{5^3}{\text{day of}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{7}} = 2000.$
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The above Consent Order having been pres	sented to the duly appointed agent of the
Commissioner of the Department of Public	Health on the 13 day of
2000, it is hereby	accepted.

Thomas Furgalack, Director

Division of Environmental Health

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